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New coach brings unity

First year defensive line coach
Charlie Partridge makes a splash
in first month at the helm.

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Shuttle takes on role of school bus

♦ *Senate-run buses will provide
transport to and from annex buildings.*

By Maura Possley
CITY EDITOR

A lot of students walk to class, drive, ride bikes or roller blade, but starting today many will have to take a bus into the city.

For the next three years, as a result of the construction of the new Doudna Fine Arts Center, classes and offices have been relocated, forcing many students to rely on the Panther Express shuttle bus to make it to class.

While some classes remain on campus in Lawson Hall and McAfee Gymnasium, others are off campus at either the former Booth West location in the West Park Plaza on Lincoln Avenue or a former IGA on 18th Street.

All of the general education classes will remain on campus, but upper division art and theater courses will be moved to the temporary locations, Blair Lord, vice president for academic affairs, said. As a result, a new shuttle bus schedule was made to accommodate those affected students.

From 8 a.m. until 9 p.m. the shuttle will run to the temporary locations to transport the more than 250 students in upper-level fine arts classes. Shuttle ridership increased by 1,000 students in a year, said Ronnie Deedrick, student vice president for academic affairs.

The new schedule will not take more time on its routes. Instead, three stops were taken out of the previous schedule. For a student to get to class, Deedrick said, it takes seven minutes.

"The (stops) that had the most ridership stayed, I wouldn't go and cut the (Student Recreation Center). That would be dumb," Deedrick said.

The off-campus bus will no longer stop at Coleman Hall and McAfee Gymnasium. But the McAfee stop, Deedrick said, is no longer necessary because Booth Library no longer houses books there.

However, 11 fine arts classes in McAfee this year.

The on-campus bus will no longer stop at 7th Street

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Classrooms not ready

♦ *Music, art students
will be shuffled around
town during first week.*

By Amber Williams
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

Studio art classes temporarily moved to the former Booth West location during the renovation of the Doudna Fine Arts Center are not completely finished, although classes begin today.

Wires hung from the ceiling and unfinished floors exposed the dirt below as studio art faculty toured their new classrooms and offices Sunday.

Because the classrooms are not fully completed, students will go to class in the new location on Lincoln Avenue on Monday and Tuesday to receive their syllabus and to make arrangements for the rest of the week, said Glenn Hild, associate dean of the college of arts and humanities.

The art department has arranged to hold classes on Wednesday and Thursday in the Martin Luther King University Union, Hild said. No studio art classes meet on Friday.

Classrooms are expected to be ready to facilitate the art classes by Sept. 3.

As well as having unfinished wiring and floors in some of the classrooms, the new classrooms have yet to receive doors and some construction equipment still remains in the rooms.

The local exhaust ventilation also has not been installed in the classrooms, Hild said.

Bathrooms in the building are still just piles of dirt, but students are able to use the restrooms at the neighboring Osco Drug, said Steve Shrake, director of the physical plant.

Shrake said the university knew the contractors would cut it close to having the classrooms finished by the time school began.

The contractors chosen to make the classrooms were hired by the landlords of the building, so the university does not have a relationship with them, Shrake said.

Classes being held in the new location are ceramics, sculpture, print-making, 2-D design, 3-D design, graphic design and weaving, Hild said.

The classrooms and offices will be in the new location until the Doudna Fine Arts building is completed in fall 2005, said Jim Johnson, dean of the college of arts and humanities.

Johnson said he is pleased with the progress of the classrooms in the new location and thinks the art faculty will enjoy their new, spacious classrooms.

Members of the art faculty refused comment to *The Daily Eastern News*.



COLIN MCAULIFFE / PHOTO EDITOR

The future site of the bathrooms for students at the former Booth West location is currently piles of dirt and pipes showing on the ground.

Two-year contract keeps Hencken in presidency

By Scott Miller
ADMINISTRATION EDITOR

After Eastern's search for a new president ended unsuccessfully last semester, interim President Lou Hencken signed a two-year contract extension for the position.

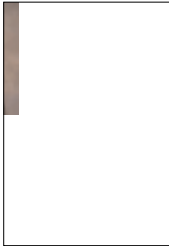
He will earn \$173,000 annually, nearly a 5 percent increase from the previous year.

Eastern's Board of Trustees voted to extend Hencken's con-

tract to June 30, 2004 after discussing contract specifics with Hencken.

Hencken said the terms of his contract are the same as last year, with the exception of the raise. Hencken's one-year contract last academic year gave him a salary of \$165,000.

According to the contract, Hencken also gets a \$27,500 annual housing allowance and an automobile for business and personal use.



Lou Hencken

Hencken's house in Charleston. Hencken said he hopes to enter-

The university is responsible for maintaining the vehicle and paying for fuel and insurance.

The university also pays for business-related entertainment at

tain legislators, showing off the campus and discussing areas needing improvement.

"(Legislators) are going to realize giving money to Eastern is not a lost cause. They're going to come here, take a look at this place and see the investment they're putting in Illinois."

According to the contract, Hencken also has the option to teach two courses per semester for at least three years after his con-

tract expires, something Hencken said he specifically asked to be included.

"I don't want to go from working 75 to 80 hours a week to working zero hours. I think it would be bad for my health," Hencken said.

Hencken said he is uncertain as to what courses he would teach, but he said there was a possibility of teaching an administration

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False alarms led to dialing changes

By Melissa Nielsen
CAMPUS EDITOR

Officials hope changing the on-campus dialing system will put an end to false alarms caused by accidental 911 calls.

Callers no longer need to dial “9” before dialing a long-distance phone number from campus. Since the 911 emergency system was introduced to campus in March 1997, the University Police Department has reported an outstanding number of accidental calls to the number.

Adam Due, chief public safety officer, said police would receive an average of 80 accidental 911 emergency calls in the first few months the system was in place. Problems arose when people would dial “9” before dialing out, then dial an extra “1” before the area code. After callers realize they made the mistake, they hang up and emergency dispatchers hear a busy signal when they call back. Then, police are required to send an officer to the call to confirm no emergency.

“We were tying up man power with misdials and wasting a lot of time responding to calls there were no grounds for. When officers were busy answering a call, they are not available for other calls and other duties,” said Due. “I think the misdialing will be almost nonexistent now.”

To call long distance within the 217 area code from on-campus, callers should not dial “1” before the area code. Callers need to dial the seven digits, wait for three beeps and then dial a personal identification number, said Clay Hopkins, director of information technology services.

To dial another Eastern telephone from on campus, callers should dial all seven digits; callers can no longer only dial the last four digits of an on campus number. Toll-free calls to Charleston telephones also require all seven digits of the telephone number.

For more information, or if students have any problems dialing, call the Telecommunications Office at 581-5951.

New England band wows ‘Quakin’ crowds

By Lisa Meyer
STAFF WRITER

Along with the different attractions at “Quakin in the Quad,” many students enjoyed the musical stylings of the band TWF on the South Quad Saturday night.

“Listening to them reminded me of my favorite band from home,” said Maggie Foiles, a freshman undecided major.

The New England natives recently formed TWF but soon will change their name to Motor Skills because of a record label conflict. The band consists of vocalist/guitarist Jimmy Landry, vocalist/guitarist/violinist Sean Tooley, bass player Phil Ostar and drummer Mike Nappi.

With a median age of 24, they describe themselves as a “modern pop rock” band and hope to launch another album this summer to follow up their first album,

“The Whine Field.”

The band’s song, “Superfly,” will make its radio debut soon. Another TWF song, “Man on a Mask,” was chosen for an episode of “Dawson’s Creek.”

Among their own songs, they incorporated a series of cover songs by acts such as Led Zepplin and Bob Dylan.

“I love how they sent off such positive energy, especially during cover songs like ‘Sweet Home Alabama’ and ‘Stairway to Heaven,’” Jackie Morrison, a freshman art major, said.

Touring enabled the band to interact with fans and promote their album. After their first European tour throughout France, Holland and Amsterdam, they began playing at clubs and college campuses.

For more information on TWF, visit their Web site at www.twf-music.com.



CAITLIN BULLIS / ASSOCIATE PHOTO EDITOR

Alison Mormino, a senior speech communication major and student body president, jokes with a fellow student who about to dunk her in the dunk tank at the Quake in the Quad, Saturday evening in the South Quad.

Bungee run, laser tag and live music highlight ‘Quakin in the Quad’ fun

By Gary Horne
STAFF WRITER

Nearly 400 students attended the “Quakin in the Quad” festivities Saturday on the South Quad. The University Board-sponsored event featured many games, activities and live entertainment.

Students ran a bungee run and played laser tag and bingo. Students also had the opportunity to sample from many of the side booths as well, including a wax hands booth and a caricature artist

table.

“Quakin’ in the Quad” featured music by DJ Tony Muse that had many students dancing, as well as a live rock band called TWF.

Papa John’s and a local Pepsi distributor provided free pizza and drinks for the crowded event.

“We gave out 60 pizzas in the first hour, so we’re averaging about a pizza a minute,” said Danny Smith, Papa John’s general manager. “We’re looking to give out 200 (pizzas), if not more, by the end of the night. We just want to thank the

kids and welcome them back after being gone all summer.”

Contrary to popular belief, “Quakin’ in the Quad” is not just an event to welcome freshmen to Eastern’s campus. Eric Finn, a junior speech communication major, said he had been to the event as a freshman, and has returned every time it has been held.

Finn described the event as a lot of fun.

“It’s a great way to meet people if you’re a new student, too,” he said.

Freshman career kick-off a success

By Matthew Stevens
STAFF WRITER

Freshmen started making plans for their future careers at the second annual career kick-off Friday.

The mini-seminar included two counselors handing out pamphlets, fliers and other free items, including popcorn and soda to potential lawyers, CEOs and accountants.

The counselors provided students with a wide range of information and advice such as starting salaries at each career station and numerous internship programs.

Each of the fliers were organized by class, encouraging freshmen and sophomores to begin their four-step-process while making sure upperclassmen continue down their roads of success.

Bobbi Kingery, graduate placement counselor, said about two out of every three students she approaches either haven’t decided on a specific major or will change majors before graduation.

“This fact concerns the entire Career Service department because our job is to make students comfortable with their

“Once I transferred from (Trenton College), this career center helped me get a job faster.”

— Greg McElroy

future career,” she said.

Both counselors pointed out certain guest speakers, strategy workshops and the weekly updated Web site (www.jobsrv.eiu.edu) where advice on majors and possible careers is given along with available jobs and internships.

The Career Service department’s goal is to get as many students informed as possible before the Fall Career Day and Job Fair.

“Once I transferred from (Trenton College), this career center helped me get a job faster through the central offices,” Greg McElroy, a junior journalism major, said.

Students can use the depart-

ment’s resume-writing and interviewing workshops, which include up to twelve possible majors.

This year, the counselors were confident last year’s attendance of 400 would be surpassed with ease because of the number of students with undecided majors.

Some students who attended did have a grasp on a possible major and/or career, though.

Courtney Bosco, a freshman economics major and pre-law minor, said she knew her major long before the kick-off but said she is more confident because of the information she received.

“The seminars are going to be interesting and helpful toward a possible career in business law,” Bosco said.

The four-hour informative gathering appealed to students for various reasons.

“I want to make lots of money really quick, and this is exactly where I needed be,” Ben Brokaw, a freshman accounting major, said. “The staff was very informative and created an incredibly friendly environment, and it’ll be easy to gain internships through my counselors.”

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Panther Cards get new supplier after CyberMark folds

By Melissa Nielsen
CAMPUS EDITOR

While the new Panther Cards all students need to pick up will have a new feel and a new look, they will still serve the same purposes.

Incoming freshmen and transfer students who took a picture at summer orientation and previous cardholders can pick up their new Panther Cards at the University Ballroom in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Students do not need to bring their old Panther Cards, but photo identification is required, Clay Hopkins, director of information and technology services, said Thursday. Bank services and dining services also can be activated or reactivated at that location.

Staff will distribute cards between 8:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. through Aug. 28 or from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Students who have never owned a Panther Card, who have never taken a photograph or any students who fail to pick up their new cards by Aug. 28 should go to the Telecommunication Office located at the Telecom/Security building to receive their new cards.

The first card for every student is available free of charge. However, students still will pay the same fees for lost, stolen or damaged cards. A lost or stolen replacement card costs \$20 and a damaged card costs \$10, Hopkins said.

The harder, less bendable structure of the new cards may mean

fewer problems for students. Many Panther Card holders complained of defects when their old cards bent, broke or faded over time.

"The new cards are made out of more durable material, but we still highly recommend students keep them in a wallet to protect them," Hopkins said.

The switch was prompted after the previous Panther Card vendor, CyberMark, went out of business unexpectedly in mid-June. Eastern signed a five-year, \$100,000 agreement with DebitTech, the national firm that already provided Eastern with most of its Panther Card equipment. Eastern's contract with CyberMark cost Eastern over \$500,000, but because DebitTech already provides the university with equipment and services, the new card contracts cost considerably less.

"This is basically a continuation of existing services," Hopkins said. "All the services will still be available, but (students) should get their cards as soon as possible. We won't be able to accept the old cards anywhere."

He said some offices on campus, like the Student Recreation Center which will honor old identification cards until Sept. 2, will offer grace periods for students to obtain new cards. However, old cards will not be honored at food service, in any laundry or vending machines, cash stations, the Booth Library or in card reading equipment.



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An old Panther Card is cut in half as the student picks up his new card.

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OPINION

Great leader to continue

A familiar face will remain in Eastern's administration this year, following a presidential search that did not produce a new president for Eastern.

Interim President Lou Hencken will now serve for two additional years.

Eastern's Board of Trustees approved Hencken's new contract in June. The presidential search ended last spring when one candidate turned down the position and the board decided neither of the other two candidates were a good fit for Eastern. The presidential search will resume some time in 2003.

The decision for Hencken to continue as interim president was a good one for Eastern. Though it is unfortunate the search did not yield a new president, keeping Hencken is the next best alternative.

Hencken outlined goals last year including increasing enrollment by at least 250 students. A look around shows that goal may have been met.

At issue

Eastern's continuing leadership.

Our stance

The decision to have interim President Lou Hencken continue for two years was good for Eastern.

In a year of a budget crisis, the situation was managed well with administrators doing what they could to minimize tuition increases and with Hencken taking actions to watch out for students affected by that increase. We expect the same progress this year.

Having been employed by Eastern for 37 years, no one knows this campus better than Hencken. He is visible around campus, which is important for a university president. He mingled with students this past weekend at Quakin' in the Quad, and he can often be seen on high school visit days giving a tour or greeting prospective students. He told the editorial board of *The Daily Eastern News* this past Friday how excited he was that the students are back.

However successful last year may have been, the same issues remain. Eastern made it through last year's budget problems, but the university is not out of the woods yet. Hencken, as well as the other university administrators, need to continue working on the issue in order to minimize problems. With the major renovation of the Doudna Fine Arts Center beginning, it is also important that Hencken and the rest of the administration do all they can to make that transition smooth.

This university is only as strong as its leader, and under Hencken's leadership, it can only get stronger.

The editorial is the majority opinion of the *Daily Eastern News* editorial board.

OPINION

The News gets a new look



Shauna Gustafson
Editor in chief and bi-weekly columnist for The Daily Eastern News

Gustafson also is a senior journalism major.

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Today's issue of *The Daily Eastern News* should look a little different. Over the course of the last three months this newspaper has seen some major changes. I would like to take this opportunity to point out a few of those changes, and explain why we decided to change the things we did.

First, I would like to extend my thanks to the team of professional journalists, most of whom graduated from Eastern, who took the lead in redesigning the newspaper you are holding.

Chicago Tribune staffers Chris Soprych, informational graphics artist and Michael Kellams, design editor took charge of the redesign. They were aided by Heidi Stevens, Katie Manker and Karen Wolden, all *Tribune* designers, Tom Stevens, managing editor of *The Journal Standard* in Freeport and Rob Manker, copyeditor at the *Daily Herald*. All seven volunteered their time and experience in creating what I hope will be viewed as a more current, and interesting student newspaper.

The idea to redesign the *News* sprung from discontent. Our staff was unhappy with the look of the paper overall, of the dated look it carried and the lack of options in our presentation. We wanted a fresh look, something current and a little more professional. My thought: If we can't look youthful and energetic, crisp and current, who can? We have the opportunity to try new ideas and we have an audience unlike most

"The idea to redesign the News sprung from discontent."

newspapers ever dream of. Why shouldn't we be producing an exciting, original, with-the-times newspaper?

The personality of a newspaper is determined by not only the content it presents, but it's appearance. We wanted to present a fresh look to an audience that is ready to accept a big change.

So we decided we would.

What we now present is a newspaper that is meant to catch the readers' attention and provide legible, easy to understand content and navigation.

The most noticeable change is what is called the nameplate, the spot at the top of the front page that contains the newspaper's name and information. The old nameplate had not been significantly changed in close to 30 years. While some would argue that the nameplate provided the newspaper's recognition, I would argue that it was old and outdated. The new nameplate leads the redesign, and adds personality and function.

The font used in the nameplate is Olympian, and is also used for our text. This font was chosen for its function; it is easy to read, takes up less space than our former body text and is versatile enough to be used in different functions. The other

fonts we have included in the redesign are Helvetica Neue and Century 725. Again, both these fonts were chosen for their versatility. With the redesign using only three fonts in both the news section, sports section and in On the Verge of the Weekend, we hope to bring continuity to the newspaper's appearance.

The changes we have made are significant, and exciting. My goal when we asked for professional help was to create a new look that was made with educated decisions. In the past, design changes have often been made without really assessing need or reason. With this overhaul I wanted to make sure we were not just changing things for the sake of change. With the changes we have made the paper has more continuity, the opportunity for different presentation of news and the possibility for students to practice their craft on a more professional, current looking product.

A new element that is exciting is a brand new look for the Verge, our weekend section, that should provide our readers a fun and easy to read format.

I hope our readers like what they see. Let me know if you like the changes we've made, or if you do not. Hopefully new elements, like the seven day weather planner on the top of page two and "This day in Panther sports" will be beneficial.

I hope you like what you read, and see.



YOUR TURN: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Technical help not always reliable

The first thing I do when I arrive in my office each morning is turn on the computer; and I have learned over the past couple of years to expect it to work about 65 percent of the time. When it doesn't work properly, I simply phone Eastern's computer services for help, which I have learned is like phoning a person who has acalculia to get help solving a math problem.

Richard Jacques,
Associate professor, communication disorders and sciences

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Sweet madness: students fill residence halls, streets

◆ *Lines of students moving into residence halls stretch outdoors*

By Caitlin Prendergast
ACTIVITIES EDITOR

“Move-In Madness” began Thursday as residence halls across campus opened their doors. Students, parents and students who assist in the transition process, Panther Pals, came out in mass numbers for the move-in. Many lined up outside in the sweltering heat and waited to carry their belongings to various floors in the residence halls. Emily Bahn, a freshman fashion merchandising major, stood in a long line in front of Andrews Hall before she could cart her belongings up to the seventh floor. Her mother, Myra Bahn, was not excited about waiting in the heat. “I don’t want to sound like a bad mother, but I’m really frustrated,” Bahn said. “We got here before 10 (a.m.), it’s almost 1 (p.m.) and I’m really hot.” Also outside of Andrews Hall was Chris Womack, a senior English major who was delivering Microfridges and lofts to the residence halls.

“The shade of this Ryder truck is the only thing protecting me from the brutal sun,” Womack said. Rebecca Hutchison, a junior graphic design major who is a desk clerk at Andrews Hall, said she has never seen a more chaotic move-in day. “At 8:45 this morning, there were cars backed out onto 7th Street, and they just keep coming,” Hutchison said. The Panther Pals were busy all morning, especially at Carman Hall. Katie Grenda, a graduate assistant in the office of orientation, started her “hectic, crazy day” early at Carman Hall, which she said was the busiest of the residence halls. “We’ve been busy since eight, but it usually dies down around two or three,” Grenda said. There were at least 20 Panther Pals directing traffic, answering questions and helping students and parents unload at Carman Hall, Grenda said. Despite the extra help, it took Courtney Bowers, a freshman computer graphics major, and her parents three hours to move into Carman Hall. “I’m excited about moving in, but not for classes,” Bowers said. Over at Thomas Hall, there

were no lines to move in by the afternoon. Andrew English, a sophomore environmental biology major, walked right in to his room. “We’ve done this before with other kids, so we have a system,”

Andrew’s father Don English said. “We got the carts, we get here early and then we hit Wal-Mart.”



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Thomas Hall	7:55	8:15	8:35	8:55	9:15	9:35	9:55	10:15	10:35	10:55
Carman Hall	12:00	12:20	12:40	1:00	1:20	1:40	2:00	2:20	2:40	
Thomas Hall	12:05	12:25	12:45	1:05	1:25	1:45	2:05	2:25	2:45	
Union	12:10	12:30	12:50	1:10	1:30	1:50	2:10	2:30	2:50	
Thomas Hall	12:15	12:35	12:55	1:15	1:35	1:55	2:15	2:35	2:55	

BUS #2

Union	7:30	7:58	8:26	8:54	9:22	9:50	10:18	10:46	11:14	11:42	12:10	12:38	1:06	1:34	1:59	2:27	2:55
IGA East	7:37	8:05	8:33	9:01	9:29	9:57	10:25	10:53	11:21	11:49	12:17	12:45	1:13	1:41	2:06	2:34	3:02
Square	7:44	8:12	8:40	9:08	9:36	10:04	10:32	11:00	11:28	11:56	12:24	12:52	1:20	1:48	2:13	2:41	
Booth West	7:51	8:19	8:47	9:15	9:43	10:11	10:39	11:07	11:35	12:03	12:31	12:59	1:27	1:52	2:20	2:48	

Monday thru Thursday -- 3:00 pm to 12:00 am
Friday 3:30 pm to 9:00pm

BUS #1

Carman Hall	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
Greek Court	3:33	4:03	4:33	5:03	5:33	6:03	6:33	7:03	7:33	8:03	8:33	9:03	9:33	10:03	10:33	11:03	11:33
Buzzard Hall	3:36	4:06	4:36	5:06	5:36	6:06	6:36	7:06	7:36	8:06	8:36	9:06	9:36	10:06	10:36	11:06	11:36
Union	3:40	4:10	4:40	5:10	5:40	6:10	6:40	7:10	7:40	8:10	8:40	9:10	9:40	10:10	10:40	11:10	11:40
Pem Hall	3:45	4:15	4:45	5:15	5:45	6:15	6:45	7:15	7:45	8:15	8:45	9:15	9:45	10:15	10:45	11:15	11:45
Booth West	3:50	4:20	4:50	5:20	5:50	6:20	6:50	7:20	7:50	8:20	8:50	9:20	9:50	10:20	10:50	11:20	11:50
Lantz	3:55	4:25	4:55	5:25	5:55	6:25	6:55	7:25	7:55	8:25	8:55	9:25	9:55	10:25	10:55	11:25	11:55
Lawson	3:58	4:28	4:58	5:28	5:58	6:28	6:28	7:28	7:58	8:28	8:58	9:25	9:58	10:25	10:58	11:28	11:58

Monday thru Thursday -- 3:00 pm to 11:00 pm
Thursday Route stops at 9:00pm

BUS #2

Union	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
Wal-Mart	3:37	4:07	4:37	5:07	5:37	6:07	6:37	7:07	7:37	8:07	8:37	9:07	9:37	10:07	10:37	
IGA East	3:41	4:11	4:41	5:11	5:41	6:11	6:41	7:11	7:41	8:11	8:41	9:11	9:41	10:11	10:41	
Square	3:48	4:18	4:48	5:18	5:48	6:18	6:48	7:18	7:48	8:18	8:48	9:18	9:48	10:18	10:48	
County Market	3:55	4:25	4:55	5:25	5:55	6:25	6:55	7:25	7:55	8:25	8:55	9:25	9:55	10:25	10:55	

Thursday - Saturday 9:00 pm to 1:30 am

BUS #2

Greek Court	10:05	10:50	11:35	12:20	1:05
Carman Hall	10:10	10:55	11:40	12:25	1:10
Taylor Hall	9:30	10:15	11:00	11:45	12:30
4th & Grant	9:35	10:20	11:05	11:50	12:35
4th & Lincoln	9:40	10:25	11:10	11:55	12:40
4th & Polk	9:43	10:28	11:13	11:58	12:43
Square (NW)	9:45	10:30	11:15	12:00	12:45
Union	9:55	10:40	11:25	12:10	12:55
Thomas Hall	10:03	10:48	11:33	12:18	1:03

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Saturday 2:00 pm to 9:00pm & Sunday 2:00 pm to 12:00 am

BUS #1

Carman Hall	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	6:00	6:30
Greek Court	2:03	2:33	3:03	3:33	4:03	4:33	6:03	6:33
Buzzard	2:06	2:36	3:06	3:36	4:06	4:36	6:06	6:36
Union	2:10	2:40	3:10	3:40	4:10	4:40	6:10	6:40
Pem Hall	2:15	2:45	3:15	3:45	4:15	4:45	6:15	6:45
McAfee	2:18	2:48	3:18	3:48	4:18	4:48	6:18	6:48
Lantz (Back)	2:21	2:51	3:21	3:51	4:21	4:51	6:21	6:51
N. Coleman	2:24	2:54	3:24	3:54	4:24	4:54	6:24	6:54
Lawson Hall	2:28	2:58	3:28	3:58	4:28	4:58	6:28	6:58
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N. Coleman	7:24	7:54	8:24	8:54	9:24	9:54	10:24	10:54
Lawson Hall	7:28	7:58	8:28	8:58	9:28	9:58	10:28	10:58

ON SUNDAY ONLY - bus #2 does not run between 6 pm & 7 pm

BUS #2

Union	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	7:00
Wal-Mart	2:07	2:37	3:07	3:37	4:07	4:37	5:07	5:37	6:07	6:37	7:07
7th & Polk	2:14	2:44	3:14	3:44	4:14	4:44	5:14	5:44	6:14	6:44	7:14
Square	2:18	2:48	3:18	3:48	4:18	4:48	5:18	5:48	6:18	6:48	7:18
County Market	2:25	2:55	3:25	3:55	4:25	4:55	5:25	5:55	6:25	6:55	7:25
Union	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	
Wal-Mart	7:37	8:07	8:37	9:07	9:37	10:07	10:37	11:07	11:37		
7th & Polk	7:44	8:14	8:44	9:14	9:44	10:14	10:44	11:14	11:44		
Square	7:48	8:18	8:48	9:18	9:48	10:18	10:48	11:18	11:48		
County Market	7:55	8:25	8:55	9:25	9:55	10:25	10:55	11:25	11:55		

Greeks grill up fun and philanthropy for MDA

By John Chambers
STAFF WRITER

Campus fraternities and sororities gathered and grilled at the Campus Pond Sunday for their annual "Welcome Back Barbecue."

Bob Dudolski, adviser for Greek affairs, and the Panhellenic and Interfraternity councils, the Greek governing bodies, organized the event.

Fraternities and sororities involved with the councils were asked to donate \$100 to help the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

The donations allowed members to participate in the MDA's "Walk Around the Pond Backwards," which also was held Sunday.

Other students and community members were asked to donate \$1 to participate, Andrea Taylor, a senior elementary education major, said.

Taylor, president of the Panhellenic Council, said the barbecue's goal was to raise \$1,500.

She said a check for the amount raised at the barbecue will be presented to the MDA Sept. 2 on Channel 3 WCLA.

"This is the first year we've done anything for MDA. This is to show that sororities and fraternities aren't just about drinking," Taylor said.

The event appealed to Danielle Steinkamp, a junior middle level education major.

"I think it's awesome to get people out and to have fun," Steinkamp said. "It's free food."

The fraternities and sororities provided information tables and registration information for those interested in upcoming rush.

"We're really excited. We're hoping it's not just sororities and fraternities — that other students and people from the community come today," Taylor said.

Shuttle: Bus schedules are available in McAfee, fine arts buildings

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and Polk Avenue.

"Essentially it's the same amount of time," Deedrick said. "I don't think we hurt anyone."

Bus schedules were mailed out to students in the relocated classes about a month ago, Deedrick said. On Monday, schedules will be handed out at both locations.

In addition, schedules listing where the classes have been moved to will be posted at the fine arts building, McAfee Gymnasium and Lawson Hall.

The temporary locations underwent renovations in the past month to prepare for the start of the year today.

"We're good to go on Monday morning," Jeffrey Lynch, associate dean of the College of Arts and Humanities, said Friday.

Shuttle Bus No. 1 stops at

Carman Hall, Thomas Hall and the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday - Friday. It stops from 3 p.m. to midnight Monday -Thursday and from 3:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday at Carman Hall, Greek Court, Buzzard Hall, the Union, Pemberton Hall, the former Booth West, Lantz Arena and Lawson Hall and from 3:30 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Shuttles begin at 7:30 a.m. and run continuously about every 20 minutes.

The night schedule for Thursday will remain the same as last year with routes servicing the campus as well as the city.

Plans to transport students began less than two months ago when Deedrick was handed the task of revamping the shuttle schedule from Jeff Cross, associate vice president for academic affairs, Deedrick said. Revision could not begin until Deedrick received student numbers that would need to be transported by the bus.

The Doudna Fine Arts building is expected to be finished in fall 2005

Route: Ridership a key in decisions regarding shuttle's stops

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"Everyone pays for the bus, so everyone should get to use it," he said. "I think the schedule reflects that."

Though 11 classes will be housed in McAfee Gymnasium this year, its stop was cut because it held the least ridership of the previous year.

Ridership has increased 1,000 students in a year, but, Deedrick said, students still will be well accommodated with the stops.

"I'm paying too. You just have to walk in their shoes — keep everyone in mind," he said.

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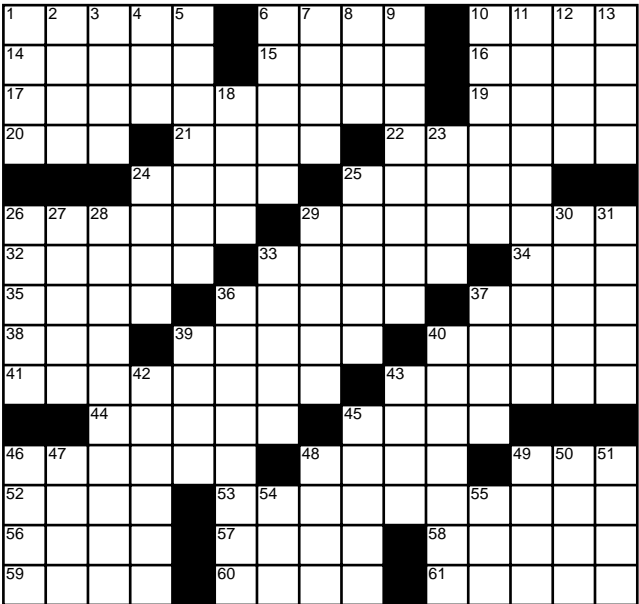
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Hencken: Interim president will continue career of 30-plus years at Eastern

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of higher education course.

“I don’t think you’ll see me in a physics class or an English class,” Hencken said.

Hencken will work out the details of what he might teach with vice president of academic affairs Blair Lord when the time comes.

During his service as housing director, Hencken taught two sections of a 4000-level resident assistants’ course for eight years to help resident assistants work through any problems arising on their hall floors, such as homesickness or strange behavior from neighbors.

The dean of whichever college Hencken teaches for would determine his teaching salary.

Also, according to the contract, the board may terminate Hencken’s contract or reassign him to another administrative position “without adequate cause.”

Were Hencken to teach at Eastern, he would not immediately be offered tenure, which offers better job security, higher pay and favored benefits.

Hencken, an Eastern alumnus, has been employed at Eastern for 37 years. He served as vice president for student affairs for nine years, as well as the housing director, assistant housing director and a resident director.

He became interim president in late July 2001, when then-President Carol Surles resigned because of her battle with breast cancer.

The board sought a permanent president through a search starting last fall but ended the search at the end of the spring 2002 semester when one of the three finalists turned down the position. According to the Board of Trustees, the other two candidates were not a good fit for Eastern.

A new search will begin sometime in 2003. An exact date has not been decided.

Comedian not short on laughs at 7th Street

By Tim Martin
STAFF WRITER

Kevin Hart was about 5-foot-4-inches in stature but his comedic presence stood tall with the crowd of more than 250 at 7th Street Underground Saturday.

The show’s finale may have drawn the night’s loudest laughs as Hart finished by singing a rock song as Purple, his created rock star. He left the stage momentarily and, after he was re-introduced, returned to the crowd emphatically cheering, “Purple! Purple!” Hart then sang a song about accidentally leaving his watch at home and needing to know the time.

“Honestly, I made that whole Purple persona up one night. A band opened for me and I just grabbed a guitar and went with it,” Hart said.

The comedian/actor kept his audience laughing from beginning to end. His broad base of jokes stemmed from local fascination, Wal-Mart and the abundance of cornfields in the area.

“I try to give the audience my life rollercoaster. In the beginning, I tell them a little about my childhood, and then I go on from there,” Hart said after his 75-minute, University Board-sponsored routine.

The 23-year-old has had his fair share of twists and turns since his

early years growing up in Philadelphia. Hart spent his years in school honing his sense of humor as a self-proclaimed class clown. After graduating from high school, he worked as a shoe salesman for a year and then, at the age of 19, quit his job to become a full-time comedian. He has been touring and acting ever since.

“Being a comedian has forced me to grow up and mature a lot quicker than I normally would,” he said. “It’s not all about just saying a joke here and there—we’re entertainers, and you have to build your own unique personality. I’m doing pretty good now, but I was pretty bad at one point.”

Hart has made appearances on BET’s “Comic View” and on “Showtime at the Apollo” and will have his own Comedy Central special on Sept. 16.

Aside from his stand-up comedy tour, Hart also is an actor. He has a recurring role on the FOX show “Undeclared” and has recently completed filming of the movie “Paper Soldiers.”

Hart said he enjoyed his experience at 7th Street Underground.

“I loved the set-up. It was a very cozy, intimate atmosphere, and I think the crowd enjoyed themselves,” he said. “I think everyone walked away knowing a little bit about Kevin Hart.”



MATT MEINHEIT/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Kevin Hart performs for a crowded audience at 7th Street Underground in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union as part of the first weekend back-to-school events.

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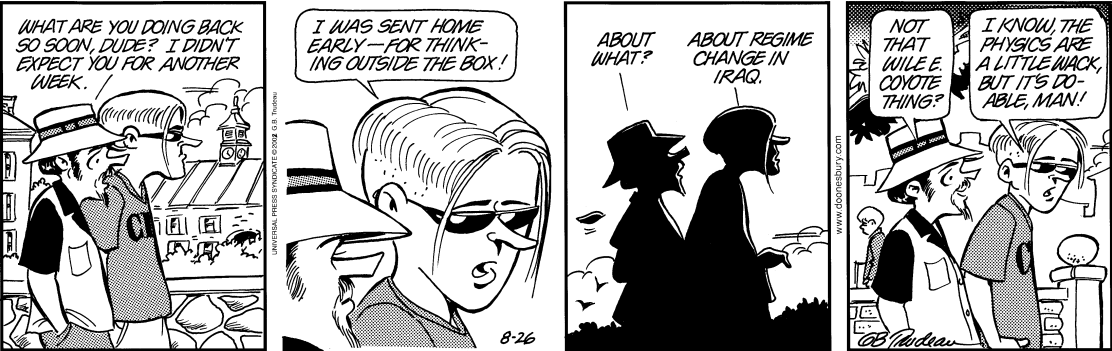
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TEXTBOOK RENTAL SERVICE FALL 2002 EXTENDED HOURS

The extended hours for Textbook Rental Service Fall 2002 handouts are as follows: Friday, August 23, 8:00 am to 6:00 pm; Saturday August 24, 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm; Sunday, August 25, 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm; Monday, August 26, 8:00 am to 7:00 pm; Tuesday, August 27, 8:00 am to 7:00 pm; Wednesday, August 28, 8:00 am to 7:00 pm; Thursday, August 29, 8:00 am to 7:00 pm; Friday, August 30, return to regular hours, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.

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Center is celebrated

By Karen Kirr
CAMPUS REPORTER

Friday's dedication ceremony at the Neal Welcome Center marked the near completion of the \$2 million structure, privately funded by life-long Eastern supporters Burnham and Nancy Neal and Burnham's sister, the late Rosemary Neal.

Interim President Lou Hencken, university administrators and members of the Neal family attended to celebrate and speak about the new building, which features a two-story atrium, elevator, gallery, board room, library, conference room, administrative offices and basement.

The ceremony included a blessing of the structure by a local minister.

"This is much more than I expected," Neal said. "This is beautiful. This is a great thing for Eastern and the community. They'll both benefit from this."

Neal said the location fits the university's need perfectly in that it provides ample space for parking. The Neal family began allotting money for the center at Eastern more than a decade ago.

Ground was broken for the Neal Welcome Center in November 2001 and was mostly completed by June 18, 2002, when Burnham and his daughter-in-law, Cindy Neal, hosted the ribbon-cutting ceremony commemorating the official opening of the structure. The EIU Foundation and developmental offices moved into the 7,000-plus square foot facility prior to the ribbon-cutting ceremony, despite work that remained, said Patrice Stratton, executive officer for the EIU Foundation, which promotes volunteerism and gifts of philanthropy among alumni and friends of the university.

"We felt we needed to have a ribbon-cutting ceremony since we were having our first meeting June 28," Stratton said.

Nancy Page, administrative aide for the EIU Foundation, said construction went smoothly up until last spring when torrential rainfall delayed the laying of the exterior brick.

Familiarizing incoming freshmen will be the main purpose of the facility, Stratton said.

"(Not only) is the building home of the foundation and provider of office space for development offices, it is also going to be primarily used to welcome students and parents to the university," Stratton said.

The new center also will continue providing students with brochures and tours and will conduct orientation, Stratton said.

The EIU Foundation was formerly located in the Brainard House, with cramped space for students and parents during university visits, she said.

The Neal Welcome Center will be "a first place to stop and gain information about the university," she said. "Campus can be a difficult place to navigate."

Because some logistics of the center still are being refined, Stratton said the center will not be fully online until next fall, although it still will be of great help to incoming students for the spring 2003 semester.

Stratton also alluded to an open house slated to take place from 10 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Friday for people interested in seeing the center, located on the corner of Lincoln Avenue and Douglas Drive.

The building project's architect, Donald Hance of Hance, Utz & Associates, LLC, of Mattoon, said the only remaining work is portions of the exterior and "a little landscaping."



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Aaron Shelbourne, a senior economics major, checks off books on his list as he gets textbooks for a student their books Thursday at Textbook Rental.

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Domercant:

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“And having an outstanding season.”

Being drafted early in the first round would be another honor for Domercant to add to the laundry list of awards he has earned.

Domercant was named Associated Press Honorable Mention All-American, Chicago Tribune Division I Collegiate All-City Team, OVC ‘Player of the Year,’ and Team MVP, last year.

Even though he has a chance of being drafted in the NBA next year, Domercant manages to keep himself grounded.

When some athletes in his position might try to keep all of the spotlight for themselves, Domercant chooses to share it with his teammates.

“I had to come back,” Domercant said. “I would have missed J.R. Reynolds, Ramon Taylor and Craig Lewis too much.

MLB LABOR TALKS

Owners make slight progress

NEW YORK (AP) – A day after criticizing players, baseball owners made a new economic proposal Sunday that moved toward the union in an effort to head off a strike later this week.

Players, who have set a Friday deadline for a walkout, called the economic plan slight progress, and union head Donald Fehr said “the differences continue to be narrowed.”

Owners raised their thresholds for a luxury tax and lowered their proposed tax rates, and also slightly decreased the amount of local revenue they want teams to share. They also made a new proposal on testing for steroid use, where the sides remain apart on details.

“While they did make some small movements in those areas, the luxury tax thresholds remain very, very low and constitute a big problem for us at this point,” he said. When combined, he said

“The luxury tax thresholds remain very, very low and constitute a big problem for us.”

—MLB Players Union head Donald Fehr

the revenue sharing and luxury tax plans still look “very much like a salary cap.”

So five days before the strike deadline, baseball was still faced with the prospect of its ninth work stoppage since 1972, one that could further antagonize fans fed up with the sport’s near-constant fights over money.

On Saturday night, management negotiators severely criticized the union for proposing the revenue-sharing increases be phased in, using the most harsh

language since talks began in January.

Rob Manfred, the owners’ top labor lawyer, said that after consultation with commissioner Bud Selig, his side decided “the best way to find out if they were serious about making an agreement was to put whatever happened last night to one side and make a forthcoming proposal and see if they could manage to do the same thing.”

On revenue sharing, owners proposed that teams share 36 percent of their locally generated revenue, up from 20 percent this year.

The teams’ previous plan was 37 percent, and the union moved up to 33.3 percent in its Saturday proposal.

Using 2001 revenue figures for analysis, the owners’ plan would transfer \$263 million annually from baseball’s richest teams to its poorest.

This day in Panther sports...

◆ 1996 – Defensive back Ray McElroy makes a final cut with the Indianapolis Colts

PGA
Parry wins NEC Invitational

SAMMAMISH, Wash. (AP) – Craig Parry had endured so many crushing losses in 10 years and 235 starts on the PGA Tour that he wasn’t about to celebrate too soon Sunday in the NEC Invitational.

Only when his lead was four strokes, and another raucous cheer at Sahalee Country Club told him his second shot had reached the green on the par-5 18th hole, was the 36-year-old Aussie unable to contain a sly smile. Tied for the lead going into the final round, with Tiger Woods and Ernie Els among those in position to track him down, Parry put together a masterpiece by closing with a 6-under 65 and playing the final 48 holes without a bogey.

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SATURDAY	Football at Hawaii	11 a.m.	Aloha Stadium
	Volleyball vs. UT-Chattanooga	1 p.m.	Lantz Arena
	Volleyball vs. DePaul	7 p.m.	Lantz Arena

OUT OF BOUNDS



Nate Bloomquist
SPORTS EDITOR

Fall outlook seems cloudy

Years of watching Chicago Cubs baseball have turned a once glass-half-full mind into a jaded pessimistic doubting Thomas.

So my Panther fall season crystal ball is cloudy and smelly like Charleston water.

Sorry freshmen, the big show was last year, and you missed it. Wish you were here.

Senior quarterback Tony Romo is a favorite to win the Walter Payton Award, the Division I-AA version of the Heisman Trophy. But who's going to catch his passes?

Junior receiver Will Bumphus is back after missing most of last season and should lead the corps. But who else will step up?

J.R. Taylor and Andre Raymond are fast, real fast. But they're not quick enough for Northern Iowa, which stopped them in Eastern's 49-43 opening-round playoff loss to the other Panthers.

Still, the Panthers are picked to finish first in the Ohio Valley Conference and are ranked in the top 10 of Division I-AA teams by both the preseason Associated Press and Sports Network polls.

Can you say overrated? The volleyball team earned its first-ever NCAA berth last year, but with a much different team than the one currently practicing in Lantz.

Carrie Stevens, one of six seniors on last year's squad, is still with the Panthers, but as an assistant.

The six seniors made the team's offense go.

Sophomore Erica Gerth, senior Karen Liss and seven freshmen have big shoes to fill. NCAA Tournament foe Arizona made some of the team's more experienced players shake in their boots. How will the young spikers handle OVC perennial powerhouses Southeast Missouri State and Tennessee-Martin?

Third-year head coach Brenda Winkeler has plenty of work ahead.

After last year's disappointing season the men's soccer team has only one direction to go - up.

But it already appears that the opposite is occurring.

The Panthers are ranked No. 10 in the Missouri Valley Conference only because the league doesn't have 11 teams.

Will Eastern earn a playoff berth this year? I doubt it.

The women's soccer team has plenty more to prove this season after last year's playoff berth.

Junior Beth Liesen leads a team that returns six starters from last season. The squad is picked to win the OVC, which it did in 1999 and 2000.

But SEMO was given the same honor last season and failed to make the NCAA Tournament.

All these questions will be answered in the next few weeks and I doubt there will be happy endings.

But I hope I'm wrong.

FOOTBALL

Partridge completes coaching family

◆ *First-year defensive line coach installs 'unity council'*



NATE BLOOMQUIST/
STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

First-year defensive line coach Charlie Partridge has already made an impact.

By Nate Bloomquist
SPORTS EDITOR

Football comparisons are endless, but math usually isn't in the same league as the gridiron.

The sport is like a war - it's gritty and gutsy. Analysts who dissect the minutia belong in the press box - not on the field.

But first-year Eastern defensive line coach Charlie Partridge may have majored in minutia and his coaching style shows it.

"I really appreciate what (former San Francisco 49ers coach) Bill Walsh and (Baltimore Ravens coach) Brian Billick do. They knew exactly what type of plays and how many they'd get out in a practice and they had the exact same number of plays in their games," Partridge said.

"Maybe it's my background in math that appreciates that."

Unity is anything but minute to Partridge

"I think that without unity, the second things get tough you have people start to point fingers at each other," he said.

Partridge, who was hired this summer after two years as the director of football operations at Iowa State University, quickly put his stamp on the Panther program.

He designed a "unity council," a forum for teammates to communicate with the coaching staff.

"I think that without unity, the second things get tough you have people starting to point fingers at each other."

— Charlie Partridge

"You'd be surprised that 70 to 80 percent of these guys are afraid to come talk to us about things," he said. "The council gives them a chance to come to us about everything from which pants to wear to discipline problems."

The council is made up of leaders from each position group who meet every week to provide feedback.

Partridge borrowed the idea from other schools like Nebraska, Alabama, Texas Christian and Drake who also use the council.

He said standouts like quarterback Tony Romo and cornerback Roosevelt Williams have set the pace for practice so far. With Eastern's Saturday season-opener in Hawaii drawing closer, the tempo isn't slowing down.

The Panthers were picked to win the Ohio Valley Conference in a preseason poll and are ranked in

the top 10 in Division I-AA polls. Eastern earned playoff berths last season and in 2000, but has never made the postseason in three straight seasons.

"Our two-a-day practices have been really long," Partridge said. "But it's been a pleasure to work with everyone here, especially (head) coach (Bob) Spoo. When I was looking to get back into coaching I heard about his reputation. It's one that stands out all across the nation."

Partridge said getting hired at Eastern put his career back on the right track.

At Iowa State, his next move up the ladder would've been in an administration office - a place he didn't want to be.

"I just wanted to get back into coaching," he said.

"But I didn't know where and I never really thought about where I'd end up while I was at Iowa State, but (Eastern assistant) coach (Roc) Bellatoni, who I knew from my experience at Drake, mentioned this job opening and it's worked out great."

Partridge has plenty of long-term goals for the Panthers this season.

"We tell the players to worry about Hawaii and take things one game at a time," he said. "But the coaching staff is definitely looking way ahead - you have to."

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Why Domercant will be back this season

◆ *Senior forward tested NBA waters*

By Matt Meinheit
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

Eastern head basketball coach Rick Samuels can breathe a sigh of relief knowing his leading scorer from last season will return this winter.

Senior Henry Domercant will return for one more season after withdrawing his name from the eligible players list in the National Basketball Association draft earlier this summer.

"I just wanted to test the waters," Domercant said. "I wanted to get the experience and see what the NBA is looking for."

Prior to entering the draft, Domercant spoke with Samuels about how to handle the situation.

"He (Samuels) told me that if I was getting positive feedback and I might go in the first round I should pursue it," Domercant said. "But if that was not the case, I should come back to Eastern Illinois University and finish my degree."

Last season the 6-foot-4 forward led the Panthers (15-16, 7-9 in the Ohio Valley Conference) in scoring and was second in the nation in scoring with an average of 26.4 points per game. With 1,792 points in three seasons, Domercant is just 135 points away from surpassing Jay Taylor as Eastern's all time leading scorer.

He also is in reach of 2,600 career points, which means he has a chance to place among the top 25 All-Time NCAA Division I career scorers.

Domercant withdrew from the NBA draft just one day before the deadline.

"We knew last spring that he put his name in the NBA draft," Samuels said. "We discussed what the options were and he and I were on the same page."

Before he withdrew from the draft, Domercant worked out for the Chicago Bulls at the Berto Center in Deerfield and the Toronto Raptors.

"I had several communications with NBA teams," Samuels said. "When Henry put his name on the list, they realized that there was a player down here that they needed to look at."

Over the summer, Domercant traveled to Ontario, Canada to play a seven-game tour with the NIT All-Stars. He averaged 9.3 points and 2.9 rebounds per game while making 47.8 percent (22-for-46) from the field.

"We are very excited about having Henry Domercant back," said senior guard J.R. Reynolds.



FILE PHOTO

Henry Domercant will return to the Panthers after working out for NBA teams this summer.